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Hi, Barbara. Could you please assist me in ensuring the electronic copy of this letter gets to Robert Forbes?

Thanks!

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The Honorable Nathan Small
Chairman of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes
Fort Hall Tribal Business Council
P.O. Box 306, Pima Drive
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Dear Chairman Small:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of a change in the United States Environmental Protection Agency's leadership for the independent review of excavation and treatment technologies applicable to elemental phosphorus contamination in soil at the Eastern Michaud Flats/FMC Operable Unit Superfund site. As you know, in a letter dated July 10, 2012, Deputy Administrator Bob Perciasepe identified EPA Region 10 and specifically Jon Schweiss, my Science and Technology Advisor, to lead this effort. Since that time, due in part to resource constraints, I have asked our Headquarters Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response/Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation to take on the leadership role.

EPA OSWER/OSRTI held an initial introductory conference call with your staff on February 26, 2014. During that call, Mr. Greg Gervais, Chief of OSRTI's Technology Assessment Branch, was identified to lead this effort. He has the full support and engagement of his senior manager, Mr. James Woolford, Director of OSRTI. It is my understanding that a draft project plan with a proposed schedule was shared with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal staff and legal counsel on March 7, 2014, and planning is moving forward for follow-up discussions to include Argonne National Laboratory, the entity conducting the independent review.

I appreciate the Tribes' patience as we worked through this transition and I am confident that EPA Headquarters will work effectively with you and your staff to implement this important project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Dennis J. McLerran", is positioned above the typed name.

Dennis J. McLerran
Regional Administrator

cc: Robert T. Forbes
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